

economics, agriculture and, of course, other relevant things. This whole center stemmed from a USDA program that was created a few years ago that provided for some selective funding, not that large, but obviously the University of Nebraska, given it's present status as a leader in a variety of things in the agriculture area, is competing for these funds and quite simply, what this resolution does, if you want to read it carefully on the...on what it...on the resolves, it just simply commends it, urge officials to cooperate with it and a letter is sent to these folks and so when they are applying for federal money they at least just simply have the commendation of the Legislature, and, with that, I urge its adoption.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the resolution. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 220.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. LR 221, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 221 was introduced by Senators Wesely, Baack, Nelson and Schmit. It asks the Legislature to continue to support the protection of public health and support the clean-up of contamination which has occurred at the ammunition facilities in Nebraska.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely, please.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. President and members, this resolution is introduced by myself, Senator Smith from Hastings, Senator Baack from the Sidney area, Senator Arlene Nelson from Grand Island, and Senator Schmit whose district includes Mead. Those are the sites of the problem areas in this state where U.S. Department of Defense plants were located, primarily in World War II. These ammunition plants and depots have been found, in cases, to have had different leakages of gun powder and other materials that they had utilized in their operations. They have seeped down, in some cases into the groundwater, and are threatening our water quality, are threatening also other environmental concerns that we have. Clearly our interest from the City of Lincoln is our water supply, which is five miles away from the Mead site, a very close situation, and there's concern in the City of Lincoln about the quality of our water supply. We think everything's okay at this point, but we want